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Sir:

On March 12, 2002, we filed an Information Disclosure Statement citing reference(s) Derwent Publication AN 2000-439902. Submitted herewith is the European Search Report and the corresponding reference(s) Research Disclosure, Vol. 433, No. 20 for the Examiner's consideration.

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